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**Response Due Date**

**10/08/2015**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00571067

REFERENCE: AMENDED JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (04/01/2015 - 06/30/2015),  
RECEIVED 08/07/2015

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 5 item(s):

1. The totals listed on Line(s) 6(a), 6(c), 7(a), 7(c), 11(a)(iii), 11(e), 16, 17, 21, and 22, Column B of the Summary and Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Column B figures for the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages should equal the sum of the Column B figures on your previous report and the Column A figures on this report. Please file an amendment to your report to correct the Column B discrepancies for this report and all subsequent report(s) which may be affected by this correction. Note that Column B should reflect only the election cycle-to-date totals (11/05/2014 through 11/08/2016). (52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)) and 11 CFR § 104.3)
2. Your report incorrectly discloses in-kind contributions as memo entries on Schedule A and/or B. Please be advised that the value of in-kind contributions must be added to the receipts and disbursements totals in order to avoid either inflating or deflating the cash on hand amount, and itemized on the appropriate Schedules A and B. (11 CFR § 104.13(a)) Please amend your report to correctly disclose in-kind contributions.
3. On Schedule B supporting Line 17 of your report, you have itemized disbursements for which you have used the committee's name as the payee name. Commission Regulations require that you disclose the payee's name for each expenditure made by your committee. Please amend your report to include

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the missing information. (11 CFR § 104.3(b)(4))

4. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 17 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Campaign Advertisement (Loan)," "Consulting Fee," and "Donation (Loan)." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(4)(i)(A).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register is available on the FEC website at [www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\\_purpose\\_list\\_3507.pdf](http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate_purpose_list_3507.pdf). A non-exhaustive list of acceptable purposes is also available on the FEC website at <http://www.fec.gov/rad/pacs/documents/ExamplesofAdequatePurposes.pdf>.

5. Schedule B of your report appears to disclose expenditures from the candidate's personal funds on behalf of the committee. Authorized committees must disclose all expenditures from personal funds made by the candidates on behalf of their committees, just as they would disclose any other disbursements that they may make. Out-of-pocket spending by candidates, as agents of their authorized committees, requires memo entry itemization of the ultimate vendor if the aggregate amount of payments to that vendor exceeds \$200 for the election cycle. The memo entry must include the date, amount, and purpose of the out-of-pocket payments, as well as the name and address of the vendor to which payment was made. Please amend your report to include the missing information on Schedule B or indicate that memo entry itemization is not required. (52 U.S.C. §§ 30104(b)(4), (5), (6)(A) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b)(4), (5), (6)(A)); 11 CFR § 104.3(b)(4); Federal Register Notice 2013-09)

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than

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just those portions of the report that are being amended.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1171.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Grainger". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of the last name being a large, stylized "G".

Jessica Grainger  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division